

**Board of Education
Regular Meeting**

Minutes March 28, 2018

**ELMIRA HEIGHTS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
ELMIRA HEIGHTS, NEW YORK**

CALL TO ORDER: President Harry Blish, called the Board of Education Meeting to order, followed by the pledge of allegiance, at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT Lisa Benedict, Harry Blish, Michael Lepak, Joseph Sullivan, Kristen Wolowitz

MEMBERS ABSENT Christopher Callas, Andrew Willard,

OTHERS PRESENT Mary Beth Fiore, Martha Clark, Tom Boyanowski, Dawn Hanrahan, Andy Lutz, Geoff Pierce, Carol Sullivan

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

Agenda:

A motion was made by Michael Lepak, seconded by Kristen Wolowitz and carried 5-0 to approve the agenda for the March 28, 2018 Board of Education Meeting.

Minutes:

March 21, 2018 Regular Meeting- A motion was made by Lisa Benedict, seconded by Joseph Sullivan and carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2018 Regular Meeting.

Order of Business:

A motion was made by Kristen Wolowitz, seconded by Michael Lepak and carried 5-0 to suspend the regular order of business to accommodate guests, special discussion topics and presentations in an order of business as deemed appropriate.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND STAFF

Mary Beth Fiore - Superintendent ♦Legislature adjourned at 5:30 – hope to have an on-time budget ♦No movement on ESY Special Education cost Shift ♦Very excited about getting into classrooms and meeting with all Grade 7-12 social studies classes for round table discussion on issues. ♦Give back day – fluctuating between April 20 and Memorial Day extension – lots of discussion – there is concern at Middle School regarding 8th graders leaving building on 4/20 and possible effects on Grade 8 Trip depending on their discipline records.– give back day on 4/20 would avoid issue – but possibly no BOCES classes 5/25 and want to be sure BOCES students would not be negatively impacted. In addition, both Elmira and Horseheads will use give back day on 5/25 if applicable, so potentially no other county students will be attending BOCES on 5/25

Andy Lutz – Elementary School Principal ♦End of Marking Period ♦Last night was the last of mini plays

Dawn Hanrahan - Middle School Principal/CSE Chair ♦new edition of Sparticle is coming out ♦Getting ready for end of year – BLT is reviewing information ♦8th grade – semi-formal is April 14 and the class trip is first weekend in June

Tom Boyanowski – High School Principal ♦National Technology Honor Society – 12 students being honored ♦Meeting regarding week of 4/16 and alternatives to a walk-out - what can be done in school – T-Shirts are being sold #Enough – Student driven ideas are being developed

Martha Clark – Business Manager ♦Budget continually being worked on and modified as needed ♦Working on regulatory reporting and preparing budget information for DID publication ♦RFP's for Audit Services – 4 received – will review at April 4 Audit Committee meeting ♦Health insurance meeting for retirees and active employees regarding the change was this afternoon

PERSONNEL

no items

FINANCIAL

no items

FACILITIES

H-2 Update on Phase II Capital Project
Addition walls are going up
New Kitchen – working on the flooring
Sanding suspended – to be done on 2nd shift

OLD BUSINESS

no items.

NEW BUSINESS

J-1 **Bus Garage Lease 2018-19** – with Horseheads Central School District

A motion was made by Lisa Benedict, seconded by Michael Lepak and carried 5-0 to approve the bus garage lease for the 2018-19 school year between the Horseheads Central School District and the Elmira Heights Central School District.

J-2 **Maintenance Agreement 2018-19** – with Horseheads Central School District

A motion was made by Kristen Wolowitz, seconded by Joseph Sullivan and carried 5-0 to approve the maintenance agreement for the 2018-19 school year between the Horseheads Central School District and the Elmira Heights Central School District.

CONSENT

no items

AWARDS/HONORS/ACHIEVEMENT

no items

COMMUNICATIONS

no items

DISCUSSION

N-1 Budget Assumptions 2018-19
Presentation reviewed

N-2 Give Back Day

Options presented included April 20, 2018(which adds a day to spring break) or May 25, 2018(to extend Memorial Day weekend)

Superintendent recommended Memorial Day weekend and BOE shared their preference for extending the Memorial Day weekend

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:01pm a motion was made by Lisa Benedict, seconded by Michael Lepak and carried 5-0 to enter executive session to discuss legal issue.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:07pm a motion was made by Joseph Sullivan, seconded by Michael Lepak and carried 5-0 to adjourn executive session.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday	April	4, 2018	6:30pm	Audit Committee	Community Rm
Wednesday	April	4, 2018	7:00pm	Regular Board Meeting	Community Rm
Wednesday	April	11, 2018	7:00pm	Regular Board Meeting (if needed)	Community Rm
Wednesday	April	18, 2018	7:00pm	Regular Board Meeting and BOCES Admin Budget Vote	Community Rm

ADJOURNMENT – At 8:08pm a motion was made by Lisa Benedict, seconded by Kristen Wolowitz and carried 5-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Clerk